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Cultural Center Calendar May 1986

La Peña's Fundraising Drive is On!

Since 1975, La Peña has counted on generous grassroots support to cover the annual deficit incurred in keeping La Peña in operation. Your contributions make up 30% of our budget. If you believe La Peña provides a vital cultural and political service, please consider making a contribution today.

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				1 **Peña Internacional** for International Workers' Day. Join us for an evening of song celebrating the struggles of working people throughout the world. Artists include **Lichi Fuentes, the Irish band Triskelion, Jon Fromer** & members of the **Freedom Song Network** & more! **7:30pm $2.50** includes free glass of wine.	**2** Festejemos el Cinco de Mayo! **Noche Mexicana**, conmemorando la Batalla de Puebla. Presentation by Leopoldo Villela about the significance of the holiday. There will be poetry & Reymond Nevel Zala will speak about Mexican art. Music by Enrique Ramirez & Teresa Ramirez y su conjunto. A benefit for Chile Newsletter. **8pm $4.** ★	**3** Brazilian dance night with **Corpo Santo.** Brazilian music for listening and dancing, plus a *capoeira* show. **9:30pm $5**
4 **Alta Mira** presents an evening of acoustic Latin American music featuring the talents of a group of outstanding Bay Area musicians: **Maria Marquez** on vocals, plus **Jackeline Rago, Claudia Gomez, Steve Fogel, John Santos, & John Calloway.** The music features unique contemporary arrangements of traditional Latin folk music, & original songs & instrumentals that combine elements of folk, jazz, & experimental music. **8pm $4.**	**5** **Closed Cerrado**	**6** **Direct from Cuba—Touring the U.S.** At last, the Bay Area will have the opportunity to see Afro-Cuban dances with Julian Villa, Eva Despaigne, soloists from *Conjunto Folklorico Nacional de* Cuba & Rodolfo Hechavarria, Juan J. Rodriguez from *Grupo Asi Somos*. Special guests from the Congo Malonga Casquelourd, Sandor, Matinga. Sponsor by Brigada Antonio Maceo. **7:30pm $7 in advance, $8 day of show.** ★	**7** Concert with **Charlie Murphy & Jami Sieber** with **Rumors of the Big Wave.** Murphy & Sieber lead the 6-member Rumors of the Big Wave, an innovative, energetic musical ensemble that mixes synthesizers & conga, acousitc & electric cello & guitars, techno-rock & 3rd World influenced styles, for a completely arresting combination. **8pm $6.**	**8** Concert: **Diane Schlactus & Maura Shannon**, two exciting acoustic performers with a commitment to music full of heart & vision. They are interesting songwriters who also include their favorites from such artists as Gary Lapow, Abbey Lincoln, & Judy Small. **8pm $5.**	**9** Flamenco with **Los Trianeros.** An evening of outstanding flamenco music & dance. Featured performers: Sarita Ayala, Raquel Lopez, Roberto Zamora, David Gutierrez, Augustin Quintero, Alicia Fariña, Juan Moro, Sara Olívar, & Kenny Parker "El Lebrijano." **8:30pm $7** *Quilapayun in concert at Zellerbach Hall. See below for details.*	**10** Children's Program with **Plum City Players. 10:30am $2 (kids $1).** Reggae dance: **Strickly Roots.** This band plays crucial Rastafari music —through it the heart & soul can pick up on the "positive vibration." It's a simple message, with gripping lyrics, one that cuts across racial & cultural lines, driven home by a beat that's great to dance to. **9:30pm $5.**
11 **Mothertongue Reader's Theater** presents the fifth of their year-long series celebrating 10 years of existence. This Mother's Day program, entitled **Mothers & Daughters: But I Love You Anyway,** is about the joys, sorrows & challenges of mothering & daughtering. Childcare & interpretation w/48 hrs. notice: 923-9958; TTY-776-DEAF. **7pm $5-$6 sliding.**	**12** **Closed Cerrado**	**13** CHRICA benefit with **Mary Ellsberg**, Dir. of Public Health Education of the Atlantic Coast of Nicaragua. Slide presentation depicting the training of rural health workers & the impact of the contra war on rural health clinics. Discussion with **Daniel Ellsberg** (Mary's father) about affecting U.S. policy. **Reception 7pm. Program, 7:30pm $3-5 sliding scale.** ★	**14** Forum on **Housing & Rent Control in Berkeley**, with Attorney General candidate **Bob Evans** on landlord-tenant law; speaker on history of tenant struggles in Berkeley. Rent Board candidates **Florence McDonald** and **Jeff Jordan** will speak & answer questions. Sponsored by Peace & Freedom Party. **8pm $1.50.** ★	**15** **Mary Watkins** performs an evening of solo piano music to benefit La Peña. Watkins weaves an enchanting spell with her fine piano playing, which draws on influences from contemporary & Afro-Latin jazz, Gospel, & classical music. Mary says of her music: *"When performer & audience come together for the collective musical experience, whether we are conscious of its deeper meaning or not, the Creator becomes manifest."* **8pm $4.**	**16** Benefit Dance: **Malik & The Plus Factor** perform R&B in a benefit for the *Magic Mountain School.* Band members include Greg Levias (keyboards), Edwin McCoy (bass), Malik Shabaz (drums & lead vocals) & Donnie Dee (keyboards). They've all toured with major bands (Ike & Tina Turner, Little Milton) & come together here with a driving, danceable sound. **8pm $5 ($3 students).** ★	**17** Dance. **Ntu Shamala** is a new band composed of some of the area's finest musicians. The indescribable blend of sounds they play is being called "Earth Dance"—it's Highlife, funk, juju, Latin rhythms, and something entirely different. The personnel is impeccable: Jimmy Lee (Nigeria(; Malonga (Congo); Bateke (Congo); Luis Saldaña (Mexico); plus other fine musicians from around the Bay Area & the world. Check it out! **9:30pm $6.**
18 **Peabody Coal—Then & Now.** Appalachian songs & stories describing the exploitation of land & people by major power corporations. Followed by slide show "In Defense of Sacred Land" about mineral exploitation of Big Mountain & the threatened relocation of Native people in Arizona. Benefit for Big Mtn. Support Group. **7:30pm $5-$8 sliding scale.** ★	**19** **Closed Cerrado**	**20** Evening of solidarity with the **American Indian Movement** & the **International Indian Treaty Council.** Speakers updates & music. Call 863-7733 for details. **7:30pm $3** ★	**21** **Human Rights & Military Power in El Salvador & Guatemala.** An update on two countries receiving little media attention today. A benefit for the Central America Research Institute. **7:30pm $2-$4** ★	**22** Dance with **Jazteca.** An evening of Latin Jazz & Blues. *Plus,* special guest — **women's Nueva Canción.** Come & support the **Comité Pro-Feminista Mexicano** in solidarity with feminist groups in Mexico, especially the journal **Fem.** *Dance for liberation.* **8pm $5** ★	**23** Record Release Concert. Join **April Masten** & band in celebrating the release of her album, **Not So Much to Want,** produced by Terry Garthwaite on the Lily label. Masten's polished jazz style, rich voice, & ever-present sense of humor make her one of the most exciting & authentic talents in the Bay Area. **8pm $5**	**24** **Plum City Players** Children's Program **10:30am $2 (kids $1)** **Dance Party! Conjunto Cespedes** plays the hot Afro-Cuban sounds, all you have to do is come & dance. This show is the official dance party of the Conference on Minority Issues at UC Berkeley, in celebration of Minority Cultures. Everyone is welcome! **9:30pm $5**
25 Two comedy films. **The Rink** (b/w, 22 min., 1916). A Charlie Chaplin classic. Wonderful slapstick & fine demonstration of Chaplin on roller skates. ***Plus,* Mr. Hulot's Holiday** (86 min., b/w, 1953 in French). Featuring the wonderful Jacques Tati. A series of comic mix-ups & caricatures revealing how solemnly people go about the business of having fun on vacation. Recommended for 12 years & older. **7:30pm $1**	**26** **Closed Cerrado**	**27** **Direct from Nicaragua.** Freelance journalist & author **Leah Halper** reads from her upcoming book & speaks on the current situation in Nicaragua. Music by Ellen Moore, Lichi Fuentes & Rafael Manriquez. Benefit for Sandinista Neighborhood Committees (CDS) and Women's International League for Peace & Freedom (WILPF). **7:30pm Sliding scale donation $3-$5.** ★	**28** **Benefit for the Watsonville Strikers.** Cultural event with music, update from representatives of the strike committee & a video produced by Llana Sherl & Shawn Usha. Sponosred by the Watsonville Northrn Calif. Support Committee. **7:30pm $4-$8 sliding scale.** ★	**29** Benfit film screening: **Las Madres de la Plaza de Mayo.** Produced & directed by Susana Blaustein Muñoz & Lourdes Portillo, this film was nominated for an Academy Award as best documentary. **Las Madres** captures the agony & despair of the women whose children & grandchildren disappeared during Argentina's military dictatorship of the late 70's. *Benefit for Casa El Salvador Libre.* **8pm $4-$6 sliding scale.** ★	**30** **A Spectacular Evening of Flamenco Dance, Song & Guitar from Spain.** With guest artist: **Lourdes Rodriquez,** flamenco dancer, **Pilar Moreno,** flamenco singer, **Augustin Rios,** & **Keni "El Lebrijano,"** flamenco guitarist, **Eloisa Vasquez** & **Patricia Inez, "La Rubia," flamenco dancers. Presented by Anda Jaleo. 8:30pm $8**	**31** Dance: **Charanga Tumbao y Cuerdas.** Cuban *charanga* features sizzling violins & soaring flute melodies on a base of solid Afro-Cuban percussion. It's an unbeatable combination: to hear them is to dance. We challenge you to stay in your seat! **9:30pm $5**

In celebration of La Peña's 11th Anniversary, Friends of La Peña & La Peña Cultural Center proudly present QUILAPAYUN, in concert at Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley, Friday, May 9 at 8pm.

TIckets for the performance are for reserved seating, available only at La Tienda, CAL Performances Box Office, Bookworks & Modern Times Books, & by mail to La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley 94705 until May 2. We urge you to purchase your tickets soon.

Quilapayún performs an exciting blend of music that draws on three main sources: traditional Latin American and Afro-American folk rhythms & instruments, western classical music (particularly the *Cantata* form), and contemporary classical "New Music." All eight members are soloists, allowing for constant shifts in the leading voices and complex harmonies. They play traditional Andean string and woodwind instruments, guitars, Colombian *tiple,* Venezuelan *cuatro,* indigenous South American and Afro-Caribbean percussion, & a grand piano.

Quilapayun in Concert

Critics worldwide have praised their musicianship & presentation. The *Toronto Globe & Mail* called their's ". . . a music of incredible vitality, subtle in its changes of melody & phrasing, exuberant in its embrace of rhythm . . ." The London *Guardian* says, "The impact of their music is immediate, and has proved to be universal . . . Scholarship, high artistry, passion & dramatic fervor."

This tour by Quilapayun comes at an important time for Chile. The examples of the Philippines and Haiti show that as long as democracy lives in the hearts of people, repressive military dictatorships, no matter how obstinate, will prove no match for the desire for freedom. As people around the world, from Johannesburg to Seoul, are demanding a voice in their lives and futures, the New Song provides a musical expression for this social reawakening. Quilapayún, though exiled in France since 1973, continues to express the Chilean people's will for democracy and justice in their land, and throughout the world.

Labor Donated

Direct from Cuba
Tuesday 6, 7:30pm

By popular demand Juan and Rodolfo are back. This time they are joined by Eva and Julian. Together they will be performing Rumba, Congo, Yoruba, Abakua and other Cuban folkloric dances.

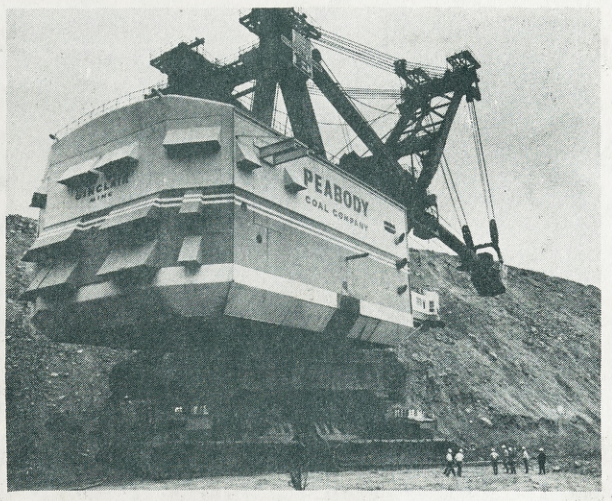
Mary Watkins

Mary Watkins Solo Concert.
Thursday 15, 8pm

Bay Area piano great **Mary Watkins** performs a solo concert as a benefit for La Peña. Mary's stylistic range includes jazz, classical blues, gospel, country/folk, & pop music. She has an uncanny ability to evoke moods and feelings through her music. Please join her at La Peña for an unforgettable evening.

Gerry Tenney and Alan Senauke Kids Concert.

Alan & Gerry will be performing at 10:30am. Their repertoire includes original and traditional music. Other children's activities include the **Plum City Players** on Sat. May 10 and May 24. Programs start at 10:30am.



Peabody Coal — Then and Now
Sunday 18, 7:30pm

Appalachian songs and stories describing the exploitation of land and people by the Peabody Coal Corporation. A benefit for the Big Mountain Support Group. 7:30pm

April Masten
Friday 23, 8pm

Singer-songwriter April Masten has blossomed into an extraordinary recording artist. Her debut album, *Not So Much to Want,* reconciles the variant energies of jazz, folk, & pop. Accompanying Masten at this record release concert will be Barbara Borden & Susanne Vincenza of Alive.

Café Violeta May Exhibit

The featured artist for May is Raymond Nevel, "Zala." Born in Mexico & raised in the United States, Zala has been working, self-taught, as an artist since 1947. He works in acrylics, silkscreens and oils to create paintings, murals, and community posters. The material for his artistic inspiration is drawn from the struggles of the local community & from the history & culture of Mexico & Latin America.

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Wednesdays
Intercambio/Exchange

An opportunity to practice your Spanish with native speakers and an opportunity for native Spanish speakers to practice their English. Sessions are led by Sra. Hilda. Good news for West Bay people! Sra. Hilda is conducting Intercambio sessions in San Francisco at 145 Guerrero St. on Mondays from 5:30pm to 7pm.

Tuesday 6
Technical Aid in Nicaragua

TECNICA presents reportback and slideshow on opportunities for technical aid in Nicaragua. Volunteers recently returned will discuss the state of technical development and TECNICA's programs of assistance. 7:30pm. Free.

Live Music at Café Violeta

The Berkeley Jazz Express plays every Friday evening at the bar area of the Café starting at 5:30pm.
Free Admission

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